

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. വി. റാഫേൽ: വില്ലേജിലും മറ്റും ട്രെയിനിംഗ് കഴിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളവർ ഇതേകിലും കിട്ടിയാൽ മതിയെന്നു പറയുന്നവരായി ധാരാളമുണ്ട്.

**HARBOUR SERVICE—PENSION OR PROVIDENT FUND—
PROVISION FOR**

256. Mr. A. B. Salem (Mattancheri): Will Government be pleased to state.—

what provisions exist now for officers and men working in the Harbour works for giving them pension or provident fund on retirement?

Mr. P. V. Raphael (Joint Secretary to Government):

Substantive holders of permanent posts are eligible for pension or provident fund. Certain other officers are allowed provident fund benefits under the terms of their respective contracts of service.

257. Mr. P. Govinda Menon (Mulakunnathukavu): Will Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) are Government aware that there is no provision either for provident fund or for pension to the majority of Indian employees in the Cochin Port;
- (b) will Government press upon the authorities the necessity of instituting provident fund for the benefit of employees in the Port?

Mr. P. V. Raphael (Joint Secretary to Government):

- (a) The Hon'ble member's attention is invited to the answer to question No. 256.
- (b) Government do not consider it necessary to make any representation regarding this matter.

COCHIN PORT STAFF—PROPOSALS FOR RETRENCHMENT

258. Mr. P. Govinda Menon (Mulakunnathukavu): Will Government be pleased to state.—

- (a) are there any proposals for retrenchment in the Cochin Port staff;
- (b) if so, will Government press upon the Port authorities the advisability of reverting the officers on loan from the Madras services, and retain the few Cochinites who are already on the staff of the Port?

Mr. P. V. Raphael (Joint Secretary to Government):

- (a) No.